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**YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL
MAHONING COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Youngstown Community School
Mahoning County
50 Essex Street
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To the Governing Board:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Youngstown Community School, Mahoning County, Ohio (the "School"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007 which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of Youngstown Community School, Mahoning County, Ohio as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2008, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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September 30, 2008

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007
(UNAUDITED)**

The discussion and analysis of the Youngstown Community School's (the "School") financial performance provides an overall review of the School's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the basic financial statements and the notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2007 are as follows:

- In total, net assets were \$1,418,923 at June 30, 2007.
- The School had operating revenues of \$2,407,301 and operating expenses of \$2,745,438 for fiscal year 2007. The School also received \$544,657 in federal and state grants during fiscal year 2007. Total change in net assets for the fiscal year was an increase of \$100,404.

Using these Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the School's financial activities. The *Statement of Net Assets* and *Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets* provide information about the activities of the School, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations.

Reporting the School Financial Activities

Statement of Net Assets; Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets; and Statement of Cash Flows

These statements look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did we do financially during 2007?" The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets answer this question. These statements include *all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses* using the *accrual basis of accounting* similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School's *net assets* and changes in those assets. This change in net assets is important because it tells the reader that, for the School as a whole, the *financial position* of the School has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. These statements can be found on pages 7 and 8 of this report.

The statement of cash flows provides information about how the School finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 9 of this report.

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The table below provides a summary of the School's net assets for fiscal year 2007 and 2006.

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Current assets	\$ 1,403,518	\$ 1,370,197
Capital assets, net	<u>3,444,547</u>	<u>3,593,628</u>
Total assets	<u>4,848,065</u>	<u>4,963,825</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities	478,842	481,033
Long term liabilities	<u>2,950,300</u>	<u>3,164,273</u>
Total liabilities	<u>3,429,142</u>	<u>3,645,306</u>
<u>Net Assets</u>		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	534,870	447,696
Restricted	-	851
Unrestricted	<u>884,053</u>	<u>869,972</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 1,418,923</u>	<u>\$ 1,318,519</u>

Over time, net assets can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. The School's financial position at June 30, 2007 has improved compared to the prior year as a result of a decrease in liabilities, specifically and primarily the capital lease obligation, and a decrease in assets due to depreciation on capital assets. At June 30, 2007, the School's assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,418,923.

At year-end, capital assets represented 71.05% of total assets. Capital assets consisted of buildings and improvements, and equipment and furniture. Capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending. The amount invested in capital assets, net of related debt at June 30, 2007 was \$534,870. The remaining balance of unrestricted net assets of \$884,053 may be used to meet the District's ongoing obligations.

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The table below shows the changes in net assets for fiscal years 2007 and 2006.

Change in Net Assets

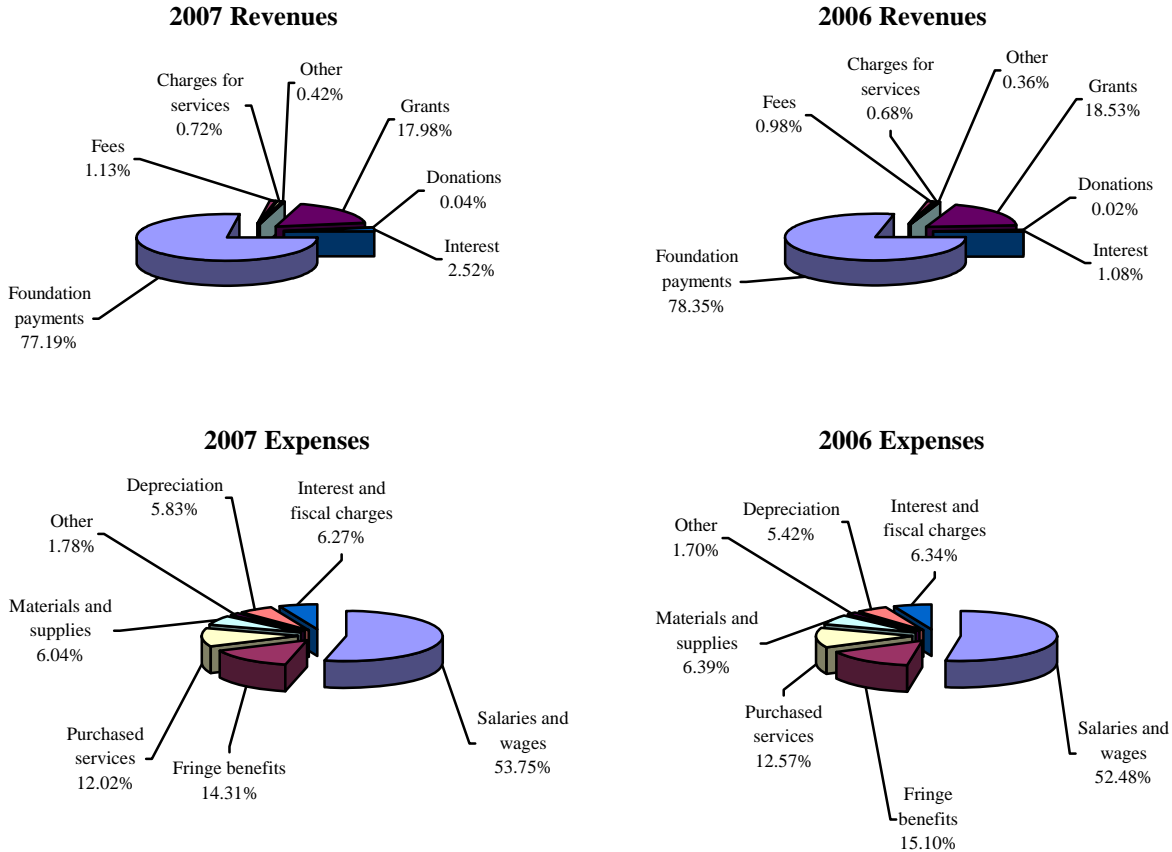
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
<u>Operating Revenues:</u>			
Foundation payments	\$ 2,338,749	\$ 2,463,276	(5.06) %
Charges for services	21,690	21,341	1.64 %
Fees	34,140	30,952	10.30 %
Other	<u>12,722</u>	<u>11,465</u>	10.96 %
Total operating revenue	<u>2,407,301</u>	<u>2,527,034</u>	(4.74) %
<u>Operating Expenses:</u>			
Salaries and wages	1,574,332	1,635,435	(3.74) %
Fringe benefits	419,240	470,462	(10.89) %
Purchased services	352,047	391,699	(10.12) %
Materials and supplies	176,996	198,982	(11.05) %
Other	52,062	52,905	(1.59) %
Depreciation	<u>170,761</u>	<u>168,976</u>	1.06 %
Total operating expenses	<u>2,745,438</u>	<u>2,918,459</u>	(5.93) %
<u>Non-operating revenues (expenses):</u>			
Federal and state grants	544,657	582,711	(6.53) %
Donations	1,300	770	68.83 %
Interest income	76,329	33,835	125.59 %
Interest and fiscal charges	<u>(183,745)</u>	<u>(197,576)</u>	(7.00) %
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	<u>438,541</u>	<u>419,740</u>	4.48 %
Change in net assets	100,404	28,315	254.60 %
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>1,318,519</u>	<u>1,290,204</u>	2.19 %
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 1,418,923</u>	<u>\$ 1,318,519</u>	7.61 %

During fiscal 2007, the School's net assets increased by \$100,404, from \$1,318,519 to \$1,418,923. This increase in net assets is a result of a decrease in expenses.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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The charts below illustrate the revenues and expenses for the School during fiscal years 2007 and 2006.



Current Financial Related Activities

The School was founded by Developing Potential Inc. The School currently operates as an independent, non-profit Ohio public charter school, sponsored by the Mahoning County Educational Service Center.

The School is funded through the State's Foundation program, as it has no tax base to draw upon and can not charge tuition, levy taxes, or issue bonds secured by tax revenues. The School may apply for grants and solicit funding support from public and private sources. The School currently participates in the Federal E-Rate program.

Students benefit to a great degree from Federal Programs which enhance the overall curriculum. The School will aggressively pursue adequate funding to secure the financial stability of the School.

Contacting the School's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our clients and creditors with a general overview of the School's finances and to show the School's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact: Ms. Michelle Murphy, Treasurer, Youngstown Community School, 50 Essex Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44502.

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2007

Assets:

Current Assets:

Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents. . .	\$	1,299,981
Receivables:		
Accounts		2,750
Intergovernmental		95,227
Prepayments		1,060
Materials and supplies inventory.		4,500
Total current assets		1,403,518

Non-Current Assets:

Depreciable capital assets, net		3,444,547
Total assets		4,848,065

Liabilities:

Current Liabilities:

Accounts payable.		1,828
Accrued wages and benefits		179,723
Intergovernmental payable		46,348
Current portion of capital lease obligation . . .		250,943
Total current liabilities		478,842

Long-term liabilities:

Compensated absences payable		291,566
Capital lease obligation		2,658,734
Total long-term liabilities		2,950,300
Total liabilities		3,429,142

Net Assets:

Invested in capital assets, net		
of related debt.		534,870
Unrestricted		884,053
Total net assets.	\$	1,418,923

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007

Operating revenues:	
Foundation payments	\$ 2,338,749
Charges for services.	21,690
Fees	34,140
Other	12,722
Total revenue	<u>2,407,301</u>
Operating expenses:	
Salaries and wages	1,574,332
Fringe benefits	419,240
Purchased services	352,047
Materials and supplies	176,996
Other.	52,062
Depreciation	170,761
Total expenses	<u>2,745,438</u>
Operating loss	<u>(338,137)</u>
Non-operating revenues (expenses):	
Federal and state grants	544,657
Donations	1,300
Interest income.	76,329
Interest and fiscal charges	(183,745)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses).	<u>438,541</u>
Change in net assets	100,404
Net assets at beginning of year.	<u>1,318,519</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u><u>\$ 1,418,923</u></u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from foundation payments	\$ 2,338,848
Cash received from charges for services	21,690
Cash received from fees	33,140
Cash received from other operations.	12,722
Cash payments for personal services.	(1,973,321)
Cash payments for purchased services	(346,796)
Cash payments for materials and supplies	(177,578)
Cash payments for other operations	(52,062)
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Net cash used in operating activities	(143,357)
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Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Federal and state grants.	506,041
Donations.	1,300
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Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	507,341
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Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Acquisition of capital assets	(21,680)
Principal retirement.	(236,255)
Interest and fiscal charges.	(183,745)
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Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(441,680)
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Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest received	76,329
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Net cash provided by investing activities	76,329
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Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents.	(1,367)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year . . .	1,301,348
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year.	\$ 1,299,981
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Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
Operating loss	\$ (338,137)
Adjustments:	
Depreciation.	170,761
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(1,000)
Decrease in materials and supplies inventory.	3,002
Decrease in prepayments	1,926
Decrease in accounts payable.	(2,468)
Decrease in accrued wages and benefits	(19,343)
Increase in intergovernmental payable.	4,932
Increase in compensated absences payable	36,970
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Net cash used in operating activities.	\$ (143,357)
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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2007**

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL

Youngstown Community School (the "School") is a school as provided for by Ohio Revised Code Chapters 3314 and 1702 within the Youngstown City School District. The School, which is part of the State's education program, is independent of any school district and is nonsectarian in its programs, admission policies, employment practices and all other operations. The Youngstown Community School may sue and be sued in its own name, acquire facilities as needed and contract for services necessary for the operation of the School.

The creation of the school was initially proposed to the Ohio Department of Education by Developing Potential Inc. on July 17, 1998. The Ohio Department of Education approved the proposal and entered into a contract with Developing Potential Inc. which provided for the commencement of School operations on September 8, 1998. On July 2, 2001, the School became its own incorporation. The School operates as an independent non-profit Ohio public charter school.

The School operates under a seven-member Board of Developers. Of the seven-member Board, one of the Board members was appointed by Developing Potential Inc. The Board is responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract which include, but are not limited to, state-mandated provisions regarding student population, curriculum, academic goals, performance standards and qualifications of teachers. The Board of Developers controls the School's one instructional/support facility staffed by 36 certified personnel and 14 non-certified personnel to provide services to 337 students.

The School participates in a jointly governed organization, the ACCESS Council of Governments. This organization is discussed in Note 14 to the Basic Financial Statements.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The basic financial statements (BFS) of the School have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The School also applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statements and Interpretations issued on or before November 30, 1989, provided those pronouncements do not conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements. The School has the option to also apply FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, subject to this same limitation. The School has elected not to apply these FASB Statements and Interpretations. The School's significant accounting policies are described below.

A. Basis of Presentation

Enterprise fund accounting is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that the costs (expenses) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

B. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Enterprise fund accounting uses a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the Statement of Net Assets. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets presents increases (i.e., revenues) and decreases (i.e., expenses) in total net assets. Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made. The accrual basis of accounting is used for reporting purposes. Revenues are recognized when they are earned, and expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

C. Budgetary Process

Unlike other public schools located in the State of Ohio, community schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705, unless specifically provided in the School's contract with its Sponsor. The contract between the School and its Sponsor does not prescribe a budgetary process for the School, but the School is required to adopt a five year spending plan.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

The School maintains an interest bearing depository account. All funds of the School are maintained in this account. This interest bearing depository account is presented on the Statement of Net Assets as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

E. Capital Assets and Depreciation

Capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and deletions during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair market value as of the date donated. The School maintains a capitalization threshold of \$250. The School does not have any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

All capital assets are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. The building is depreciated over an estimated useful life of thirty years. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Equipment is depreciated over five to ten years.

F. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the School. Operating expenses are necessary costs incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the School. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

G. Intergovernmental Revenues

The School currently participates in the State Foundation Program, the State Special Education Program, Poverty Based Assistance, the Federal Part B IDEA Program, the Federal Title I Program, the Federal Title II Program, and various other state and federal grant programs. Revenues received from the State Foundation Program are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Other grants and entitlements are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is permitted, matching requirements, in which the School must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the School on a reimbursement basis.

The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the School. These reviews are conducted to ensure the School is reporting accurate enrollment data to the State, upon which State Foundation funding is calculated. The review resulted in the discovery of an underpayment to the School in the amount of \$1,570.

H. Compensated Absences

Vacation benefits are accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned if the employees' rights to receive compensation are attributable to services already rendered and it is probable that the School will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means. Employees of the School cannot carry over vacation balances from one year to the next. Therefore, the liability for compensated absences payable reported on the Statement of Net Assets does not include a component for vacation liability.

Sick leave benefits are accrued as a liability using the vesting method. The liability includes the employees who are currently eligible to receive termination benefits and those the School has identified as probable of receiving payment in the future. The amount is based on accumulated sick leave and employees' wage rates at fiscal year end, taking into consideration any limits specified in the School's termination policy. The total liability for compensated absences payable is \$291,566 and is reported on the Statement of Net Assets. Of the total liability, the entire amount is long-term and due in more than one year.

I. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consist of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments. As of June 30, 2007, there were no assets restricted by enabling legislation.

The School applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

J. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A. Cash on Hand

At year-end, the School had \$150 in undeposited cash on hand which is included in the basic financial statements as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

B. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2007, the carrying amount of all School deposits was \$1,299,831. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2007, \$200,000 of the School's bank balance of \$1,350,414 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, while \$1,150,414 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below.

Custodial credit risk is risk that, in the event of bank failure, the School's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks or member banks of the federal reserve system in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the School.

NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of the School's capital assets at June 30, 2007 follows:

	<u>Balance 06/30/06</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance 06/30/07</u>
<u>Capital assets:</u>				
<i>Capital assets, being depreciated:</i>				
Building and improvements	\$ 4,105,953	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,105,953
Furniture and equipment	<u>297,994</u>	<u>21,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>319,674</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>4,403,947</u>	<u>21,680</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,425,627</u>
<i>Less: accumulated depreciation:</i>				
Building and improvements	(684,325)	(136,825)	-	(821,150)
Furniture and equipment	<u>(125,994)</u>	<u>(33,936)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(159,930)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(810,319)</u>	<u>(170,761)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(981,080)</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 3,593,628</u>	<u>\$ (149,081)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 3,444,547</u>

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NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2007 consisted of accounts (billings for user charged services and student fees) and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All intergovernmental receivables are considered collectible in full due to the stable condition of state programs and the current year guarantee of federal funds. A summary of the receivables reported on the Statement of Net Assets follows:

Accounts	\$	2,750
Intergovernmental		<u>95,227</u>
Total	\$	<u>97,977</u>

Receivables have been disaggregated on the face of the basic financial statements. All receivables are expected to be collected with the subsequent year.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL LEASES

In prior fiscal years, the School entered into a lease agreement with Developing Potential, Inc. for its building, and equipment and furniture. The School's lease agreement meets the criteria of a capital lease as defined by Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 13, "Accounting for Leases". The building, and equipment and furniture have been capitalized in the amounts of \$4,105,953 and \$29,312, respectively, the present value of the minimum lease payments at the inception of the lease. The book value as of June 30, 2007 was \$3,284,803 and \$0, respectively. During fiscal year 2007, the School made \$236,255 in principal payments and \$183,745 in interest payments.

The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the capital lease and the present value of the minimum lease payments.

<u>Year Ending June 30</u>		
2008	\$	420,000
2009		420,000
2010		420,000
2011		420,000
2012		420,000
2013 - 2016		<u>1,680,000</u>
Total future minimum lease payments		3,780,000
Less: amount representing interest		<u>(870,323)</u>
Present value of future minimum lease payment	\$	<u>2,909,677</u>

At June 30, 2007, a liability for the capital lease obligation in the amount of \$2,909,677 is reported on the Statement of Net Assets. Of this amount, \$250,943 is current and due within one year, and \$2,658,734 is long-term and due in more than one year.

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**NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 7 - COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The criteria for determining vacation and severance benefits are derived from School policies and State laws. Classified employees earn ten to twenty days of vacation per year, depending on length of service. Accumulated unused vacation time is paid to classified employees upon termination of employment, but does not carry forward from year to year. Teachers do not earn vacation time. Certified and classified employees earn sick leave at a rate of 1.25 days per month in a twelve month period. Certified employees can accumulate a sick leave balance up to a maximum of 180 days and are paid 25% of this balance. Classified employees can accumulate a sick leave balance up to a maximum of 180 days and are paid 25% of this balance to a maximum of 45 days. Upon retirement, and with a minimum of 10 years service, employees receive a severance payment based on these criteria.

NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Property and Liability

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2007, the School contracted with American International Group for general and professional liability insurance with a \$1,000,000 each occurrence limit, \$2,000,000 annual aggregate, a \$0 deductible for general liability insurance, and a \$5,000 deductible for professional liability insurance. The School contracted with Selective Insurance Company for business personal property with a limit of \$576,000 at 50 Essex Street, a limit of \$16,000 at 44 Essex Street, and a \$1,000 deductible. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year.

B. Workers' Compensation

The School pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium for employee injury coverage. The premium is calculated by multiplying the monthly total gross salary by a factor of approximately one percent.

C. Employee Benefits

The School has contracted with Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield and Met-Life to provide employee medical benefits. The School pays 95 percent of the monthly premium for single coverage but has no family plan. For fiscal year 2007, the School's premium was fixed for a single employee. An employee may add a spouse or child, but the employee pays 75 percent of the premium.

NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS

A. School Employees Retirement System

The School contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website, www.ohsers.org, under Forms and Publications.

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NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current School rate is 14 percent of annual covered payroll. A portion of the School's contribution is used to fund pension obligations with the remainder being used to fund health care benefits. For fiscal year 2007, 10.68 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2006, 10.58 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal year 2005, 10.57 percent of annual covered salary was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The School's required contribution for pension obligations to SERS for fiscal years ended 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$34,910, \$33,592, and \$31,151; 94.11 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2007 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2006 and 2005. \$2,057 represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2007.

B. State Teachers Retirement System

The School participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3371, or by calling (614) 227-4090, or by visiting the STRS Ohio website at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on member contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds times an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The Combined Plan offers features of both the DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. DC and Combined Plan members will transfer to the Defined Benefit Plan during their fifth year of membership unless they permanently select the DC or Combined Plan. Existing members with less than five years of service credit as of June 30, 2001, were given the option of making a one time irrevocable decision to transfer their account balances from the existing DB Plan into the DC Plan or the Combined Plan. This option expired on December 31, 2001. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

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NOTE 9 - PENSION PLANS - (Continued)

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. For fiscal years 2006 and 2005, the portion used to fund pension obligations was also 13 percent. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendation of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions. The School's required contributions to fund pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$163,947, \$169,100, and \$149,225; 86.94 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2007 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2006 and 2005. \$21,405 represents the unpaid contribution for fiscal year 2007 and is recorded as a liability within the respective funds. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2007 were \$2,444 made by the School and \$17,601 made by the plan members.

NOTE 10 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The School provides comprehensive health care benefits to retired teachers and their dependents through the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), and to retired non-certified employees and their dependents through the School Employees Retirement System (SERS). Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare premiums. Benefit provisions and the obligations to contribute are established by the Systems based on authority granted by State statute. Both systems are funded on a pay-as-you-go basis.

All STRS Ohio retirees who participated in the DB or combined plans and their dependents are eligible for health care coverage. The STRS Ohio Board has statutory authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. All benefit recipients pay a portion of health care cost in the form of a monthly premium. By law, the cost of coverage paid from STRS Ohio funds is included in the employer contribution rate, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, the STRS Ohio Board allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Reserve Fund. For the School, this amount equaled \$12,611 for fiscal year 2007.

STRS Ohio pays health care benefits from the Health Care Stabilization Fund. At June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), the balance in the Health Care Stabilization Fund was \$3.5 billion. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), net health care costs paid by STRS Ohio were \$282.743 million and STRS Ohio had 119,184 eligible benefit recipients.

For SERS, coverage is made available to service retirees with ten or more fiscal years of qualifying service credit, and to disability and survivor benefit recipients. All retirees and beneficiaries are required to pay a portion of their premium for health care. The portion is based on years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

After the allocation for basic benefits, the remainder of the employer's 14 percent contribution is allocated to providing health care benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, employer contributions to fund health care benefits were 3.32 percent of covered payroll, a decrease of .10 percent from fiscal year 2006. In addition, SERS levies a surcharge to fund health care benefits equal to 14 percent of the difference between a minimum pay and the member's pay, pro-rated for partial service credit. For fiscal year 2007, the minimum pay was established at \$35,800. Total surcharge is capped at 2 percent of each employer's SERS salaries. For the 2007 fiscal year, the School paid \$17,459 to fund health care benefits, including the surcharge.

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NOTE 10 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - (Continued)

The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate, provides for maintenance of the asset target level for the health care fund. The target level for the health care reserve is 150 percent of the projected claims less premium contributions for the next year. Expenses for health care for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006 (the latest information available) were \$158.751 million. At June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), SERS had net assets available for payment of health care benefits of \$295.6 million. At June 30, 2006 (the latest information available), SERS had 59,492 participants currently receiving health care benefits.

NOTE 11 - CONTINGENCIES

Grants

The School received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability. However in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the School at June 30, 2007.

NOTE 12 - PURCHASED SERVICES

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, purchased service expenses were as follows:

Professional and technical services	\$ 61,626
Property services	110,432
Travel expenses	6,527
Communications	10,139
Utilities	64,659
Contracted services	87,924
Pupil transportation	<u>10,740</u>
Total	<u>\$ 352,047</u>

NOTE 13 - FEDERAL TAX EXEMPT STATUS

On March 14, 2002, the School was granted status as an exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) and is exempt from federal income taxes. Management is not aware of any course of action or series of events that have occurred that might adversely affect the School's tax exempt status.

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NOTE 14 - JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

The Access Council of Governments (COG) is a computer network which provides data services to twenty-three schools. The jointly governed organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment to administrative and instructional functions among member schools. Each of the governments of these schools supports the COG based upon a per pupil charge, which was \$39 for fiscal year 2007. The Youngstown Community School fee was \$13,221 for fiscal 2007. Of this amount, the School paid \$3,915 to the COG, and \$9,306 was paid by the federal E-Rate program. The COG is governed by an assembly consisting of the superintendents or other designees of the member school districts. The assembly exercises total control over the operation of the COG, including budgeting, appropriating, contracting and designating management. All of the COG revenues are generated from charges for services and State funding. Financial information can be obtained by contacting the treasurer at the Mahoning County Educational Service Center, who serves as fiscal agent, at 100 Debartolo Place, Youngstown, Ohio, 44512.



Mary Taylor, CPA

Auditor of State

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Youngstown Community School
Mahoning County
50 Essex Street
Youngstown, Ohio 44502

To the Governing Board:

We have audited the financial statements of Youngstown Community School, Mahoning County, (the "School") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not to opine on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the School's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the School's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with its applicable accounting basis, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that the School's internal control will not prevent or detect a more-than-inconsequential financial statement misstatement.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies resulting in more than a remote likelihood that the School's internal control will not prevent or detect a material financial statement misstatement.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all internal control deficiencies that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the School's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, the Governing Board, and the Community School's sponsor. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Taylor". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

September 30, 2008



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

YOUNGSTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOL

MAHONING COUNTY

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
NOVEMBER 6, 2008**